## News Release



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## Natural Preserve Dedicated in Humboldt Redwoods State Park

A small group of state park faithful braved cold and damp conditions to honor long-time Humboldt County resident Carl "A" Anderson in a dedication ceremony held in the Rockefeller Forest on Saturday May 3. The Carl "A" Anderson Redwoods Natural Preserve was officially dedicated in a ceremony led by Park Superintendent Steve Horvitz and including State Park Deputy Director Ron Brean from Sacramento as well as Anderson family and friends.

The new preserve is wholly contained within the current boundary of Humboldt Redwoods State Park. The California State Park Commission authorized the preserve during a meeting held in Eureka in October 2001. The preserve encompasses Cabin, Cow and Calf Creek tributaries to Bull Creek and contains some of the most pristine redwood resources in the world.

Carl "A" "Andy" Anderson rose through the ranks of state parks to hold several prominent positions including Park Supervisor at Humboldt Redwoods, Assistant Superintendent for District 1 in Eureka, Deputy State Park Director in Los Angeles, and District Superintendent in Lake Tahoe before returning to Eureka to complete his career as District 1 Superintendent. He retired in 1986 to spend more time with his wife, Luella, and his family, but continued active involvement in conservation movements by serving on advisory boards for Save-the-Redwoods League and the Humboldt Redwoods Interpretive Association. Carl died January 4, 2000.

At the dedication, Carl's son, retired Supervising State Park Ranger Robert Anderson of Willow Creek, eulogized his father and spoke of his love for redwoods. Landscape Architect Roger Goddard read from a collection of poems authored by Carl Anderson.

The Carl "A" Anderson Redwoods Natural Preserve can be seen while traveling the Mattole Road through the Rockefeller Forest. It begins a short distance off Highway 101 and continues for several miles along the Mattole Road, extending north to the northern boundary of the park. A sign near Cabin Creek marks the Preserve's location.



Additional information about Humboldt Redwoods State Park can be found on the Internet at <a href="https://www.parks.ca.gov/">www.parks.ca.gov/</a>

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Park Superintendent Steve Horvitz (L) discusses the Natural Preserve features with long-time Humboldt Redwoods Park Ranger Dan Ash (R)



Park Superintendent Steve Horvitz address the group during the dedication of the Carl "A" Anderson Redwoods Natural Preserve



State Park Landscape Architect Roger Goddard (standing R), retired Supervising Ranger Robert Anderson (standing center), and Luella Anderson, wife of Carl "A" Anderson (seated center) listen to remarks made during the dedication of the Carl "A" Anderson Redwoods Natural Preserve.



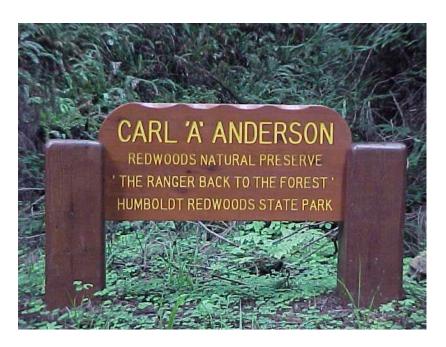
Retired Supervising Ranger Robert Anderson addresses the crowd during ceremonies to honor is father in the Carl "A" Anderson Redwood Natural Preserve.



Twenty-seven year veteran ranger Dan Ash of Humboldt Redwoods State Park unveils the new sign marking the Carl "A" Anderson Redwoods Natural Preserve in the heart of the Rockefeller Forest.



Three generations of Andersons gather at the newly dedicated Natural Preserve in Humboldt Redwoods State Park named for family patriarch Carl "A" Anderson.



New sign marking the Carl "A" Anderson Natural Preserve dedicated in ceremonies held Saturday May  $3,\,2003$